ക്കുന്നതിനെപ്പറ്റി. നാട്ടുകാർ വല്ല ആക്ഷേപങ്ങളും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്തു നടപടികളാണ് നടത്തീട്ടുണ്ട്?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എം. കൃഷ്ണമേനോൻ.—സ്വെ ഫസ്റ്റ്ഹാം നമ്പ്രിന്റെ സൈഡിൽ കരവെച്ചിട്ടുള്ള സ്ഥലത്തിൽനിന്നും ഈ സെന്റർ ഈ കൊല്ലത്തേക്കുമാത്രം വർക്കിങ്ങ് താല്ക്കാലിക പാട്ടത്തിനേല്പിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. ഈ കര ചാള പ്രദേശമാകയാൽ ജനങ്ങൾക്കു കളിപ്പാൻ ഉതകുന്നതല്ല. കളിപ്പാൻ ഉതകുന്നതും ഇപ്പോൾ ജനങ്ങൾ കളിച്ചുവരുന്നതുമായ സ്ഥലം മണൽപ്രദേശമായ മറുകരയാണ്. കന്നുകാലികളെ ഇറക്കുന്നതിനു സൌകര്യമായ സ്ഥലം പാട്ടത്തിനേല്പിക്കാതെ പൊതുവായി നിലത്തായിട്ടുണ്ട്. പാട്ടത്തിനു കൊടുക്കുന്നതിനെപ്പറ്റി ചിലർ ആക്ഷേപ ഹർജി ബോധിപ്പിക്കുകയും അതിനെപ്പറ്റി വേണ്ടുന്ന അന്വേഷണങ്ങൾ നടത്തുകയും ചെയ്തിട്ടുണ്ട്.

Vyttila bus accident.

555. Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—Will the Government be kindly pleased to inform the House:—

(1) whether they are aware of the sad motor bus accident that recently happened near Vyttila;

(2) what and how many casualities occurred;

(3) was any enquiry by a competent expert conducted into the nature and cause of the accident;

(4) was any attempt made to ascertain, as near as possible, the speed of the vehicle at the time of the accident;

(5) is the Government aware that generally the motor buses are being run far in excess of the speed-limit assigned to each vehicle;

(6) is the Government aware that the motor buses generally do not give way to following cars and other faster vehicles;

(7) is the Government aware that the motor vehicles do not generally observe road precautions like keeping side, particularly at turns and sounding their horns;

(8) was there any prosecution in 1104 for overspeeding by motor buses and for not giving sides to faster vehicles as also for not keeping side and not sounding horns at corners;

(9) is there any special staff of trained men for checking and controlling the motor bus traffic in the State;

(10) is the Government aware of the special department of police created and maintained in Travancore and British India for the purpose;

(11) is the Government aware that, in the Municipality of Ernakulam, one of the parking stations for motor buses is the south-western corner of the Padiyath Paramba, which is a very crowded locality and too near the Cochin ferry;

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(12) is the Government aware that in the Ernakulam Municipality buses are being run to the stand mentioned in question (11), the stand itself being the narrow public road, through narrow public roads, and that such running is a standing and imminent menace to public safety ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(1) Yes.

(2) Three died and 7 injured.

(3) The Division Inspector and the Commissioner conducted the necessary enquiries. The District Magistrate and the Magistrate also have made enquiries into the matter.

(4) Yes.

(5) No.

(6) No.

(7) No.

(8) No.

(9) No.

(10) It is understood that the Traffic Inspectors are appointed for checking and controlling Motor Traffic in Madras and Travancore.

(11) Buses that do not go to the Railway station are found to start from Padiyath Mukku.

(12) Yes; no accidents had been reported ; nor was there any complaint from the public.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—With reference to sub-division (12), the question is 'Is the Government aware that in the Ernakulam Municipality buses are being run to the stand mentioned in question (11),' that is, the Padiyath corner,.....

Mr. T. K. Krishna Menon.—The question need not be read.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—I am reading the question and answer simply.

President.—That is answered.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—The answer given is 'Yes ; no accidents had been reported ; nor was there any complaint from the public.' Was there not, Sir, an accident, I believe about 7 or 8 months ago, at the corner of the bungalow at which the Deputy President of this House lives—a collision, bus accident ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—I want notice.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—Was it not reported to the Police Commissioner that two buses collided at that particular corner ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—In the answer it is found that no accidents have been reported.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—May I know whether the roads that lead from the Chittur Road from the corner of Mr. V. K.

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Kochunni Menon's bungalow and go westward at the next turning to the Padiyath corner are not very narrow?

President.—It is a matter of opinion. You know the roads and he knows the roads, both of you might form your opinion on that.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—May I know whether the buses have to pass two curves from Mr. V. K. Kochunni Menon's bungalow's front side to reach the Padiyath stand and that along these two narrow roads?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—There are two curves to be passed.

President.—There will be always danger if care is not taken, and if care is taken there will be less danger. If the road is wide the chances of accidents will be minimised.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—Will the Hon'ble Member be pleased to answer whether the Padiyath corner is a crowded one and where the buses themselves are parked on the public roads?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—We are thinking of consulting the Chairman of the Municipality. It is under contemplation to request the Chairman of the Municipality to see whether better arrangements can be made for parking these buses.

Mr. Thomas Manjuran.—With reference to question (4), may I know what was the information that the Government gleaned?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Attempts were made to take statements from the passengers who were at the time in the bus, and from their statements it will be found that it was going at over-speed.

Reserved teak plantation area in Malayattur.

556. Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether any representation was made by the inhabitants of Malayattur that the reserved teak plantation area should be disafforested and the place made available for habitation and other purposes to the people of the locality;

(2) was the present Diwan requested by the people to view the locality in question and did he comply with the said request; if so, when;

(3) has the Government taken any definite action in the matter of the representation made by the people; if so, what is the result of the said action;

(4) has any reply been given by the Government to the representation referred to in sub-division (1); if so, what is the reply; if no reply has been given, will the Government be pleased to say why the matter is delayed;

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